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In re Patent Application of:

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Title: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE HAVING A

FERROELECTRIC CAPACITOR AND A FABRICATION PROCESS THEREOF

AMENDMENT & RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 22, 2001 (Paper No. 5), the period of response to which has been extended one month to May 22, 2001, by the attached Petition for Extension of Time and enclosed fee, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 3 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please amend claims 1 and 7 as follows:

1. (Amended) A method of fabricating a semiconductor device having a ferroelectric capacitor, comprising the steps of:

forming an active device element on a substrate;

forming an insulation film over said substrate to cover said active device element;

forming a lower electrode layer of said ferroelectric capacitor over said insulation film:

forming a ferroelectric film on said lower electrode layer as a capacitor insulation film of said ferroelectric capacitor;

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